

## **Nuckolls County Board Minutes**



## MARCH 18, 2013 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, March 18, 2013 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of March 4, 2013. Combs, Brown and Corman present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Combs announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

The board reconvened at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Combs approved the Agenda as submitted and the March 4, 2013 minutes as submitted.

Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent and Cindy Buescher, Executive Secretary met with the Board to update them on the current activities of the County Road Department. Buescher announced the resignation of their custodian, Michelle Funk for the Nelson Road Shop & Office. The Road Department has requested permission to contract with Melanie Wilton for \$30.00 per day of service. The Board gave their permission and will review again at budget time. Warren announced on April 1, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. Gravel Bids will be heard. Warren also informed the Board of a meeting by Twin Valley Weed Management Association for an informative meeting on the Little Blue River Channel Maintenance Project at the Nelson Community Center on Monday, March 25, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Warren updated the Board on Bridge Project C-65(302), Nelson Precinct and Bridge C0065-04205P, Bostwick Precinct. Warren also let the Board know that they have started pouring cement at the Hardy Shop. They did the North side last week and hope to get the South side this week.

Randy Rhoades, Salesman from Superior Implement and Gordon Watts, Salesman from Oregon Trail met with the Board to submit quotes for a new skid loader. Rhoades submitted two quotes on a JCB 260 Skid loader. One with tracks for \$\$23,098.60 and the other with out tracks for \$10,000.00. Gordon Watts, Salesman for Oregon Trail submitted one quote for a John Deere 320D at \$11.00 hour with trade-in. The other was for a J.D. 323D Track Loader at the \$11.00 hour plus \$13,000.00. Buescher noted that only \$3,000.00 was budget this fiscal year for the skid loader. Watts noted with the trade-in the cost would be \$1,749.00 with 159.3 hours on the current J.D. 320D. A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Brown to accept the quote submitted by Gordon Watts, Oregon Trail for a J.D. 320D at \$11.00 hour. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Brad Baker, Chief Deputy Sheriff met with the Board to request the Board to deem 4 Kenwood mobile radios, 4 Kenwood handheld radios, 1 Kenwood Base radio, 2 Whelen Edge Lightbars, 2 E-Machine Computers, 1 Epson Powerlite Multi-media Computer, 1 Compac Laptop Computer, and a Cosair Harddrive, keyboard & monitor as surplus property. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Combs to deem the list of computers and radios as surplus property to be sold. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Vicki Ensign, Treasurer met with the Board to request the Board to approve a Resolution Directing Purchase of Tax Sale Certificates by the County Treasurer. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to approve the Resolution Directing Purchase of Tax Sale Certificates and the Treasurers report on Return of Public Tax Sale on 24 parcels in the amount of \$23,406.35 and also the Treasurers report on list of delinquent taxes in the amount of \$47,260.85. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Bob Kotinek, Veterans' Service Officer met with the Board to request an Executive Session with the Board and Clerk Kassebaum for Legal matters. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to call an



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Executive Session at 9:53 a.m. for legal matters with Kotinek and Kassebaum. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried. A motion was made at 9:57 a.m. by Brown and seconded by Corman to leave Executive Session and enter the Regular Session. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A proposal from Eletech Inc. for the installation of a ADA Phone for the Exterior Vertical Lift in the amount of \$845.00 was submitted for approval. Combs noted that he felt the cost was too much and thought they could put a buzzer system in for less than \$150.00. A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Brown to deny the Eletech Inc. proposal of \$845.00 for an ADA Phone. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Carrie Miller, Safety Committee member met with the Board to report on the March 8, 2013 Safety Committee meeting and submit reports. Miller noted they will be planning a Tornado Drill on March 27, 2013. They have plans also for Fire Drills, Hazardous/Chemical Waste Disasters and training on the vertical lifts at the Courthouse. Minutes are posted at the County Clerk's office for public review. The Safety Committee is working on a new Disaster Plan for the County Offices and updating the Handicap Bathrooms for ADA Guidelines. The next Safety Committee Meeting is set for March 21, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Brown to accept the Safety Committee Reports as submitted. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

The U.S. Government 911 Lease Agreement on the Emergency 911 Tower was previously signed by the Emergency 911 Administrator, Brad Baker. Not necessary for Board to sign. No action taken.

Tim Stutzman, Emergency Manager & Noxious Weed Superintendent met with the Board. He announced there is a new Noxious Weed added to the Nebraska Noxious Weed list. The name is Sericea Lespedeza. Stutzman gave the Board an update on the Twin Valley Weed Management Association's Little Blue River Riparian Project informational meeting on March 25, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Nelson Community Center. Stutzman submitted the Report from the Nebraska Weed Management District for the Nuckolls County Weed Management Superintendent Audit. Stutzman received a score of 195.2 out of a possible 197.91 points. Stutzman discussed with the Board the possibility of making the 911 tower bigger. The Board discussed the reasons the tower was constructed the size it is. Stutzman noted the Emergency Management Interim Project on Communications is currently leasing space on the KRVN tower and Stutzman wondered if they could lease space on the Nuckolls County 911 Tower. If they did it would need to be bigger. No action taken at this time.

Vicki Ensign & Royce Gonzales, Budget Making Authority met with the Board to present the amount of \$17,874.00 for a transfer from County General's Building & Grounds fund to the County Road Fund to reimburse salaries of the Road Department for work completed at the Courthouse. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Combs to approve the transfer. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with the Budget Making Authority regarding the cost difference for Contractual Services for lawn care and custodial versus employee costs. No action taken at this time.

Diane Wehrman, County Court Clerk Magistrate met with the Board to request the approval to purchase book bags for each of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students involved in the County Court-Law Day from the Youth Services fund. A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Combs to allow Wehrman to purchase the book bags at the cost of \$375.00 for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students for County Court-Law Day being held on Tuesday, April 30, 2013. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.



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Tim Schmidt, County Attorney met briefly with the Board to discuss the upcoming Public Hearing for the Brodstone Memorial Hospital Refinancing Bond. Schmidt noted he would not be available at the hearing due to a court hearing in a different County however he would be back by 1:00 p.m. Discussion on whether to make any decision with Schmidt being gone. It was determined to change the agenda to the decision being made at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, March 25, 2013. No action to be taken at the public hearing.

The following salary claims were approved:

General Fund Salaries: \$57,220.68 Road Fund Salaries: \$39,410.98 Civil Defense Fund Salary: \$2,330.00 911 Emergency Fund Salary: \$400.00

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 11:21 a.m. until Monday, March 25, 2013.

Michael D. Combs, Chairman

By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk